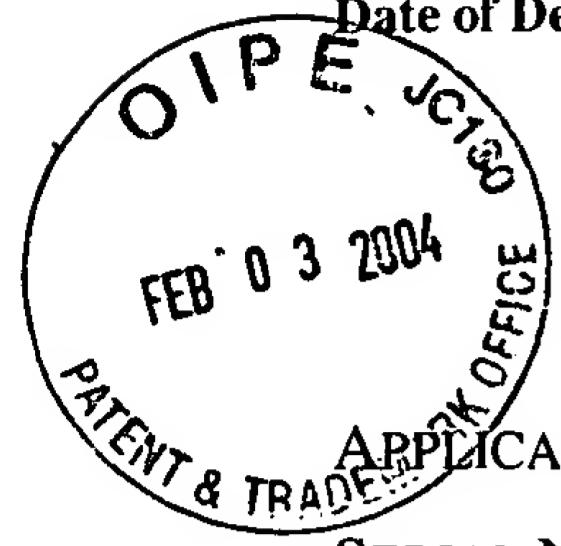


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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION**

This paper is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed October 3, 2003, in the above-referenced application. A response, with a petition for a three-month extension of time is due February 3, 2004, and is hereby filed.

Applicants hereby include extension fees due with this filing. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-675CIP2.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.